

Dumping in Dayton? Smile for the camera!

Residents can help by reporting illegal dumping

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The City of Dayton continues to fight illegal dumping and is asking residents to join in the effort to protect neighborhoods and the environment.

Last year, Dayton spent about \$600,000 in labor, equipment and disposal costs to remove 3,611 tons (2,315 truckloads) of debris from illegal dumpsites across the city. These taxpayer dollars could have been dedicated to other needs, such as filling potholes and mowing parks.

Dumped debris can attract more dumping, create loose or blowing litter, release toxic substances, attract rodents, affect property values and negatively impact the quality of life in neighborhoods.



"Dayton residents shouldn't have to worry about illegal dumping in their neighborhoods, and the City shouldn't have to devote significant resources to the problem," said Director of Public Works Fred Stovall. "But a small number of people seem to believe they have the right to harm the community's quality of life. That's why we fight illegal dumping and appreciate residents who report it when they see it."

The City of Dayton monitors for illegal dumping with a network of cameras, which can collect evidence for criminal prosecution. The City and the Montgomery County Environmental Crimes Task Force prosecuted 13 dumpers in Dayton in 2020.

Dumping can be reported by calling 937-333-4800 or at daytonohio.gov/reportadumper. When vehicles are observed, please report the color and make, license plate number and any identifying markings when possible.

Dayton waste collection customers can schedule free bulk pickup at 937-333-4800 or by using the Dayton Delivers customer service app. Residents may also dispose of bulk materials at the Montgomery Country transfer station (1001 Encrete Ln., Moraine) for a nominal fee.

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